SENATE BILL No. 460

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 27-10-2-3.

Synopsis: Undertaking for bail. Provides that an undertaking for bail expires 36 months after the date it is posted for the release of a defendant from custody if a court does not make an adjudication concerning the defendant during the 36 month period. Specifies that a surety is not liable on an undertaking that expires after this 36 month period.

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Effective: July 1, 2007.

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January 11, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.



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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2006 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

l	SECTION 1. IC 27-10-2-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 3. (a) An undertaking
3	is valid if it states:
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- (1) the court where the defendant is to appear;
- (2) the amount of the bail; and
- (3) that it was made before an official legally authorized to take the bond.
- (b) A surety remains liable on an undertaking despite:
 - (1) any lack of the surety's qualifications as required by section 4 of this chapter;
 - (2) any other agreement that is expressed in the undertaking;
- (3) any failure of the defendant to join in the undertaking; or
 - (4) any other defect of form or record, or any other irregularity, except as to matters covered by subsection (a).
- (c) Any undertaking written after August 31, 1985, shall expire expires thirty-six (36) months after the date it is posted for the release of a defendant from custody if the court does not make an

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- adjudication concerning the defendant during the thirty-six (36)
- 2 month period. A surety is not liable on an undertaking that expires
- 3 under this subsection. This section does not apply to cases in which
- a bond has been declared to be forfeited. or in which the defendant is
- 5 a fugitive from the jurisdiction after thirty-six (36) months.

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